

## Miller & Rhoads

Mail Orders Filled at Advertised Prices

### Reduced Prices on Kimonos & Negligees

No waiting for mid-summer to clean house here. No question but what the weather is here for negligee garments, & no question, either, but what these prices will send the garments out double quick:

Fancy Figured Lawn Kimonos, with plait & belt; original price \$2.00, now \$1.25.  
Fancy Figured Lawn Negligee Wrappers, trimmed with lace; former price \$2.25, now \$1.45.

Fancy Lawn Negligee Kimonos, trimmed with lace, \$1.05.  
Fancy Negligee House Gowns, trimmed with insertion & edge of lace; special \$2.50 & \$3.00.

### Thursday Specials in Parasols!

There's always news of interest in this department, & always something "special" for you.

To-day's leaders are as follows:

Taffeta Parasols, in all colors, mission handles. Regular \$1.50 value, 95c.

All Silk Parasols, in solid colors, mission handles; also combination Parasols, all colors, \$2.95 value, \$1.95.

Children's Parasols, all colors, 75c value, 50c.  
\$1.50 value, \$1.00.  
Three strong specials in Black Mourning Parasols—  
\$1.50 value, \$1.00.  
\$2.50 value, \$1.95.  
\$3.50 value, \$2.95.

## FOUR FAMILIES ARE HOMELESS

Night Fire Destroys Row of Dwellings—Colored Occupants Have Narrow Escapes.

Four tenement houses occupied by negroes, near the corner of Boyd and Norton Streets, were practically destroyed by fire, which originated in the kitchen in one of the houses, last night, and the four families were rendered homeless, with only a scant remnant of their clothing and furniture saved from the general ruin.

All the buildings were of frame construction, and the fire spread so rapidly that the four homes were soon burned out, and several of the people barely escaped with their lives. Thos. Minor, of 1308 Boyd Street, was taking a nap in his doorway, where he had gone for the cool night breezes, when the alarm of fire rang out. He rushed back to his kitchen, and was met by a dense volume of smoke. Then he made his way upstairs to gather up numerous valuable papers belonging to himself and three lodges he represents, but as he returned to the head of the stairway more smoke met him, and to save himself he had to drop his papers and break out on the porch roof through a window, and then jump to the roof of an adjoining house.

Here he sat until some one came along and helped him down. The others burned out were George Minims, Ira Pauntleroy and Silas Carrington. Damage to the houses will average between \$300 and \$400, with some insurance companies owning their homes; the others were rented.

The fire started in Minims's house, and in a few moments had spread to the adjoining places. All were practically gutted, and the furniture which was gotten out, was much broken by rough handling. The most serious loss was to Minor, whose papers were destroyed. Several of the people were asleep when the fire broke out, and an old invalid woman had to be carried out. The fire started in Minims's house, broke down and died when he saw his house go up in flames.

### COMMITTEE MEETING

Protection of Canal Watershed Will Be Discussed This Afternoon.

A meeting of a subcommittee from the Council Committee on Water has been called for this afternoon at 4 o'clock to consider the question of protection of the canal watershed. The City Engineer, Mayor D. C. Richardson and Chemist E. N. Ezekiel have been summoned to discuss the matter. The Committee on Water will meet at 8 o'clock, a subcommittee from the Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform at 3:30, and the Committee on Relief of the Poor at 6 o'clock to-day. The latter committee will be convened at the City Home, and will inspect the colored almshouse with the view of making certain changes proposed at the last meeting.

## RETAIL JEWELERS DISCUSS TRADE

Virginia Association in Annual Session at Jefferson Hotel.

Retail jewelers from every part of the State met at the Jefferson Hotel yesterday morning for the second annual meeting of the Retail Jewelers' Association of Virginia. There were two meetings, one in the morning, when reports were read and approved, and another at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, A. F. Jahnke, Jr., of this city; First Vice-President, W. D. Martin, Rocky Mount; Second Vice-President, W. H. Schwarzschild, of this city; Third Vice-President, C. F. Lauterbach, Petersburg; Fourth Vice-President, Fred Greenwood, Norfolk; Fifth Vice-President, H. L. Lang, Staunton; Secretary, Otis S. Harding, Petersburg; Treasurer, J. S. James, of this city.

Joseph E. Allen and C. Fred Kohler, of Richmond, together with the officers, constitute the executive committee. Next year's convention will be held in Norfolk on the third Wednesday in June.

The association was organized one year ago this month and since that time it has more than doubled its membership. The purposes of the association are to have all the jewelers in the State become members, and to co-operate in urging manufacturers to restrict their trade to legitimate houses, eliminating the mail order business, suppressing the itinerant merchant, and otherwise stimulating the retail trade.

At the afternoon session the following delegates were elected to represent Virginia at the next convention of the American National Retail Jewelers' Association, which will be held in Omaha, Neb., August 3 and 4: A. F. Jahnke, Jr., and Joseph E. Allen, of this city; A. D. Beckner, Martinsville; C. F. Lauterbach, Petersburg, and W. D. Martin, Rocky Mount. It is expected that many other members of the association will attend this convention, as the meeting means the improvement in many ways of the retail jewelry trade throughout the United States. The Virginia delegates, especially those from this city, will go to the National convention with the avowed intention of securing the next convention for this city. Last year, though the representation was very small, Richmond was most favorably mentioned. It is probable that the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations will bend their efforts to bring it here.

The convention came to a close last night with a banquet at the Jefferson. Among those present was A. F. Jahnke, Sr., who is perhaps the oldest jeweler and watchmaker in the State, having come to this country from Germany before the war. A standing toast was

## Gans-Rady Company's Peerless Suits at Reduced Prices

Beginning this morning we are going to turn over to you for your individual selection—

**Hundreds of Our High-Class Suits, Which Sold Up to \$28.00, at \$16.00 Each.**

Gans-Rady clothing is well known and so well recognized for its superiority that it is hardly necessary to dwell on our exceptional offerings.

The assortment is large, the selection of colorings desirable, and the fit of each garment is equal to the best custom made.

You can thank the backward season for this exceptional opportunity.

**Suits Which Sold Up to \$28.00, Choice \$16.00**

## GANS-RADY COMPANY

## MAYOR APPROVES MANY MEASURES

Large Batch of City Ordinances and Contracts Receive Executive Sanction.

Practically all work of the City Council for June, and some from the month preceding, was returned to City Clerk Ben T. August yesterday afternoon, approved by the Mayor. The batch carries with it ordinances for the expenditure of a large amount of money for the improvement of streets and construction of sewers. With the legal question that caused the veto of the electrical awards settled by the opinion of City Attorney Pollard, all contracts awarded were approved without question by the Mayor.

The Richmond and Henrico Railway was allowed the extension asked for to complete the construction of its proposed street railway line and viaduct over Marshall Street. By the terms of the ordinance, the company will be obliged to file with the city clerk within sixty days from June 22 a certificate showing the deposit of \$100,000 with the City Auditor as a guarantee that the work will be carried on according to contract.

Many Ordinances Approved. Other ordinances returned to Clerk August with the Mayor's approval were:

Increasing the salary of the clerk to the Inspector of Gas to \$50 a month. Requiring notices to be mailed to all who have not paid taxes by July 1, of the current year.

An ordinance amending the law as to location and licenses of places where liquor is sold.

Ratifying and approving a contract between the city of Richmond and the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, concerning the location and maintenance of a sewer across property of the company near Holly Street.

Ratifying and approving a contract between the Hollywood Cemetery Company and the city of Richmond relative to the construction of a sewer through Hollywood Cemetery.

To change the name of Cedar Street to Davis Avenue.

Allowing the Passenger and Power Company to shift its track on Cherry Street to certain sections of the City Code relating to the Health Department as to sanitation and plumbing.

To amend the ordinance concerning the time for making out bills for city water.

Trespassing on Grass Plots. To prohibit all persons from trespassing upon grass plots in the center of Monument Avenue or other plots situated in different sections of the city, under penalty.

Requiring all officers and employees of the city government when ordering printing, stationery or other supplies, to do so in writing, imposing a penalty for failure.

To allow the receivers of the Seaboard Air Line Railway to operate temporary tracks on Franklin Street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth Streets, between 4 and 6 P. M., until January 1, 1910.

Ordering payment of a judgment in favor of George B. Blackwell, and instructing the City Attorney to acquire certain of her property in connection with the judgment.

Authorizing a subcommittee of the Committee on Street Cleaning to visit other cities for the examination of crematories.

Street and Sewer Work. Ordering a large number of street improvements, principally paving and sewers.

Appropriating \$4,500 for an automobile ambulance for the City Hospital. Appropriating \$500 for the entertainment of the American Public Health Association, which will meet here next October.

Appropriating \$5,500 for the improvement of Twelfth Street. Approving the following awards and contracts made by Committee on Light: Sale of coal tar from the Gas Works for two years, at 13.4 cents per gallon, to the Armature Manufacturing Company; all water gas tar for two years to the Westover Paper Company, at 3.4 cents per gallon; sale of all immovable liquor for two years at 15 cents per ton to C. C. Bailey.

## CLOSE RACE FOR CITY SERGEANT

Returns from City Primary to Be Received at Saenger Hall To-Night.

After a strenuous campaign, lasting for many weeks, the various contests for municipal offices will end with the battle of the ballots to-day, which will last from 6 o'clock A. M. until 8 o'clock P. M. The election officers were given, all the paraphernalia necessary for the conduct of the primary yesterday, the chairman of the City Democratic Committee having issued them final instructions regarding their duties and powers at the same time.

All the candidates were hustling throughout the day, indications being that their labors will not cease until the polls close at 8 o'clock to-night. The City Committee will meet at Saenger Hall at 3:30 o'clock to-night to receive and declare results. At 11:30 P. M. there will be a supper at Murphy's, as usual, it being calculated that all the returns will not be in until after midnight.

Only Real Fight. The greatest interest prevails in the contest over the office of City Sergeant. Indeed, wise political judges are nearly all of opinion that to name the winners for the rest of the ticket is no task some of difficult task.

The candidates for Sergeant lost no time yesterday and last night, in getting around among their friends, in an effort to stimulate them to the greatest possible activity in the battle to be pulled off to-day. There was a good deal of betting on the fight for Sergeant, but it was noticed that no odds were offered on either of the three aspirants. It looks now as if a heart-disease finish is in sight, between Anthony, Satterfield and Smith, and if there are any odds in favor of either, no one is so bold as to proclaim it by putting up money to back his judgment.

All Popular Men. All the candidates for this important office are well known to the people, who has developed so much strength as to put him well up in the running and surprise the most sanguine supporters of both his competitors. The young business man of widespread popularity. He is a cigar manufacturer, and is in intimate touch with the local business world.

Sergeant James C. Smith, who has held the office for a number of years, is a loyal partyman, and one of the colored astute politicians in the city. John L. Satterfield, who is widely known as "Bill Nye," is a man of the highest integrity, and like his competitors, has an army of friends in the various sections of the city.

The Candidates. Following are the names of the various candidates as they will appear on the ticket to-day:

Treasurer—James B. Pace. Commonwealth's Attorney—Minnette Folkes, Hunsdon City.

Sheriff—John P. Don Leary, James H. Bradley, George B. Bull, Adam Diant, John H. Redwood, J. Herbert Mercer.

City Collector—F. W. Cunningham. City Sergeant—John L. Satterfield, James Anthony, James C. Smith. High Constable—E. C. Garrison, William H. World, Jr.

Auditor—Edward J. Warren. Magistrates. Clay—James D. Lyle, B. A. Jacob, James B. Peters and R. J. Charles.

Lee—R. H. Hawks, R. G. Duke and J. A. Purdie. Monroe—W. A. Graves, Herman Nolte and Thomas H. Walker.

Henry—J. P. Kain, Lawrence W. Hulcher and A. L. Vonderlehr. Madison—John T. Hall, George C. Cornick, P. J. McCarthy and James I. Connolly.

Jefferson—Isaac Michael, J. O. Phillips, H. L. Donati and James W. Gibbons. Marshall—L. C. Flagg, Michael Burger, W. J. Griggs, Savage Smith, John E. O'Grady and Richard Eacho.

Below is a list of the various precincts where the voting will take place: Clay Ward—First Precinct, 617 West Main; Second Precinct, 219 South Harrison; Third Precinct, 304 South Laurel; Fourth Precinct, 1524 West Cary.

Lee Ward—First Precinct, 1201 West Broad (southwest corner of Broad and Harrison Streets); Second Precinct, 605 West Broad; Third Precinct, 1815 West Broad, between Allen Avenue and Meadow Street. (This is a new precinct.)

Henry Ward—First Precinct, 5 South First Street; Second Precinct, 221 West Broad; Third Precinct, 603 Brook Avenue (northeast corner Brook Avenue and Clay Street).

Monroe Ward—First Precinct, 266 East Canal; Second Precinct, 213 North Third; Third Precinct, 467 North Third; Fourth Precinct, 800 North Second.

Madison Ward—First Precinct, building at southwest corner of Clay and Eighth Streets; Second Precinct, 109 North Eighth; Third Precinct, 207 Governor; Fourth Precinct, 600 North Seventeenth.

Jefferson Ward—First Precinct, 24 North Seventeenth; Second Precinct, 2205 East Main; Third Precinct, 2306 Church Hill Avenue; Fourth Precinct, Masonic Hall, North Twenty-fifth Street.

Marshall Ward—First Precinct, 3721 Second Street, Fulton; Second Precinct, 214 East Franklin; Third Precinct, 321 North Twenty-sixth.

## A Plain Statement to Voters of Richmond

Being unable to see you in person or to secure your names from the voting list in time to write you, I take this means of respectfully soliciting your vote and influence in behalf of my re-election to the office of City Sergeant, a position the duties of which I have faithfully and fearlessly performed, and can continue to do so equally as well, if not better, than any other candidate seeking your right of suffrage.

One candidate, in retiring from the race has seen fit to generally allege that I have been derelict in the discharge of my duties, but yet he did not specify a single particular in which I had been deficient. The duties of this position, as most of you know, consists of caring for, feeding and clothing all prisoners confined in the jail, attending all sessions of the Hustings Court and executing all of its orders and those of the Commonwealth's Attorney, such as summoning all witnesses and jurors, conducting prisoners to and from the jail, etc., etc.

While on an average of from 150 to 200 prisoners are confined in the jail, I can positively assert that it is kept as sanitary as any, and there has never been any sickness of consequence, and certainly no epidemic of any kind during my administration, although it is well known that most of the inmates come from the lowest elements and most unhealthy surroundings. As proof of this I can refer to Dr. W. S. Gordon, physician in charge of the jail, and to the jail commissioners. Religious services and every uplifting influence is freely afforded all prisoners.

My faithful and efficient deputies—J. M. Macon, Thomas D. Neal, Jr., Pat Bowis, John J. Finegan, E. S. Ferneyhough, Llewellyn Nance, R. Seddon Chidress, Ed. L. Lee and Charles M. (Buck) Johnson—have satisfactorily executed every order given them by the judge or other court officials, and I am satisfied in saying that there has not been any miscarriage of justice due to our failure to perform the duties incumbent on us. The Hon. S. B. Witt, judge, and the Hon. D. C. Richardson, former Commonwealth's Attorney, will substantiate this, and I refer you to them.

I have given some of the best years of my life to the faithful discharge of the duties of this office, considering it an honor to serve the people of the city I love so well, and while I am not as young now as formerly, none will say that I am not fully capable of measuring up to all of the requirements of the position.

Assuring you of my appreciation of your support in the past, and asking that you will favor me with your aid and support in the coming election, I remain,

Yours respectfully

**JAMES C. SMITH, Sergeant.**

In an effort to deceive you some of the overzealous workers for the other candidates are circulating the report that some of my competent deputies would be retained in event of success of their candidate, but this is being done without the knowledge or approval of said deputies, and I trust this bald trick will not mislead you.

## SWANSON MAKES HOT RETORT TO FULTON

Governor Charges Former Senator With Inconsistency and Says His Statements Are Founded Only in Imagination and Malice.

The controversy between former State Senator M. J. Fulton and Governor Swanson, concerning the latter's action in voting against J. K. Fulton for superintendent of schools of Grayson county, is assuming an attitude of exceeding bitterness, the charges and counter-charges being spicy to the last degree.

In a hot rejoinder to Governor Swanson's defense of his course in voting for W. S. Hale, for superintendent over J. K. Fulton, Senator Fulton says:

"Governor Swanson further says he has the warmest personal regard and friendly feeling for my brother, J. K. Fulton. While thus kissing him with professions of the warmest personal regard and friendly feeling, he betrays him. This is the same kind of warm feeling and regard that the lion has for the lamb. It was the friendship he had for my brother when in 1903 he received a letter from Mr. Davis, Swanson's political friend, over whom my brother had been chosen as the Democratic candidate for Grayson for the State Senate, which letter suggested it was necessary to defeat my brother for the Democratic nomination for the Senate in that senatorial district.

Charges Political Treachery. "It is the same friendship that Mr. Swanson had for my brother when he delivered this letter to another. It was the same friendship he had for my brother later on when Mr. Swanson's private secretary, Mr. Coles, acting upon and pursuant to Davis's letter, went with another to Patrick county and had a conference with Mr. Swanson's political friends, which resulted in bringing out a candidate from Patrick county to run in the Democratic primary against my brother when this self-same Mr. Davis, Mr. Swanson's political leader in Grayson, not being able to accomplish my brother's defeat for the Democratic nomination in the Democratic primary voted in a general election for the Republican candidate against my brother, the Democratic nominee and candidate.

"The Governor, of course, denies that he is actuated by political motives and by his own political ambition in this matter, but it was time and again said in Grayson, but for the known opposition of Mr. Swanson to my brother's reappointment to the superintendency of schools, that my brother would not have had any opposition at all. My brother's record as school superintendent was as good as any superintendent in the State. Mr. Eggleston, the State Superintendent, voted for my brother's retention, and Mr. Swanson could not have voted to turn out such superintendents as this for any other than political reasons. In doing it he ignored the people of Grayson and refused to appoint either of the applicants endorsed by the people and selected and put up an applicant of his own."

The Governor's Reply. Governor Swanson was asked last night if he had read the letter in which Mr. Fulton had retorted to his charges, and he had, and as to the personal views entertained by Mr. Fulton for himself that he would make no reply; that it was a matter of utter indifference to him. He said, however, that he could not fail to be amused at the sudden evidence of ill-will and hostility evinced in the interviews in comparison to the recent professions of high esteem and regard, and promise of political support on the part of his brother, family and friends, when they were endeavoring to obtain his support in the election of J. K. Fulton as superintendent of schools for Grayson county.

He said on April 26 J. K. Fulton wrote a letter to a friend of his, in which he used this expression: "If Governor Swanson is a candidate for Congress in this district he will find me supporting him with all my might." The Governor went on to say that

the difference in sentiment was very amusing, but not at all surprising to one who knows M. J. Fulton; that he was absolutely satisfied that Mr. Hale's election would be promotive of the best interests of the schools, and that the time had come when the schools should no longer be connected with the factional differences and feuds in the county. He said he had stated to every one that it was his purpose, and if he had sufficient influence with the board, it would be exercised in this direction, and he has also uniformly stated that he believed Professor W. S. Hale, by experience, character, scholarship and culture, to be the best person to accomplish this result.

"Mr. Fulton's inconsistencies are glaring," said the Governor. "He states that Mr. Hale's selection is very objectionable to the people of Grayson county, yet he, in the same breath, says that I favored a man whom I knew was offensive to the people of Grayson county to aid myself politically. He does not explain how a man increases his popularity by aiding in giving a county an undesirable person for superintendent."

"This inconsistency is a natural result when one engages in misrepresentations and misstatements engendered by disappointment."

Never Aided Republicans. "The assertions, insinuations or suggestions that I had at any time aided a Republican against Mr. Fulton when he was a candidate for State Senator is an absolute untruth. This is a slander without the slightest foundation except in the imagination and malice of M. J. Fulton."

The charge of Mr. Fulton that I had a secret conference with Mr. Hale is an absolute untruth. I have not seen Mr. Hale for several years, and my entire relation with him in connection with the superintendency of schools was by correspondence, which was related to the board in presenting this case for their consideration."

"Mr. Fulton's attack on Professor Hale, who is well known in his county, is unwarranted, and he and his friends there are amply able to take care of themselves."

Treat for Orphans. Children of the Masonic Home of Virginia will be guests of honor on a moonlight excursion on the James River to-night. While given for the benefit of the Sheltering Arms Hospital, the management has issued an invitation to the inmates of the home, and it has been gladly accepted. The excursion will leave on the Pocahontas at 8:30 P. M.

## A Strong Man and His Antagonists

Years ago some sage said that not to have enemies meant not to have done anything. In speaking of this old proverb to-day J. C. Smith, candidate for re-election to the office of City Sergeant, said that while he had been strictly careful in fulfilling his duties he had as few enemies as any man on earth.

Friends of Mr. Smith said to-day that he did not count his antagonists in the campaign as his enemies. They were only his antagonists during the campaign; after that and when he had been elected, they would cease to be his antagonists, and would be as well as friends and admirers as ever.

But the real warm friends and staunch supporters of Mr. Smith are the men who know him longest and best, and have been most intimately associated with him. The deputies he has appointed and the ex-deputies as well as the expression: "If Governor Swanson is a candidate for Congress in this district he will find me supporting him with all my might." The Governor went on to say that

## James Anthony...FOR... CITY SERGEANT

Subject to Democratic Primary.